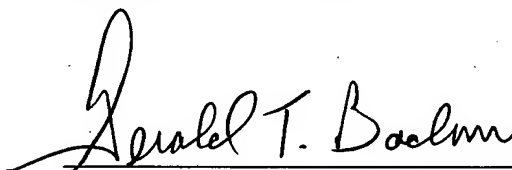


REMARKS

This application is based on co-pending U.S. Application No. 09/845,141, filed on April 30, 2001, on which priority is claimed. Claims 7-29 which were subject to a restriction requirement in the parent application, were cancelled in the parent application without prejudice to incorporating the same in a continuation or divisional application. Accordingly, original Claims 1-6, which were elected for prosecution in the parent application, have been cancelled herein so that further prosecution of non-elected Claims 7-29 may be continued. Also, Claims 7-12 have been rewritten, as they were originally dependent from cancelled Claims 1-6.

It is respectfully urged that Claims 7-29 are in proper form for examination and such action is respectfully solicited .

Respectfully submitted,

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VERSION OF AMENDMENT WITH MARKS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

Please amend Claims 7-12 by rewriting the same as follows:

7. (Amended) A method of reducing the risk or progression of cardiovascular disease comprising administering to a person in need thereof [the] a composition [of claim 1] comprising:

dextromethorphan;

folic acid or folate;

vitamin B₆; and

vitamin B₁₂.

8. (Amended) A method of reducing the risk or progression of cardiovascular disease comprising administering to a person in need thereof the composition of claim [1] 7,
wherein the composition further includes lecithin and vitamin E.

9. (Amended) A method of reducing the risk or progression of cardiovascular disease comprising administering to a person in need thereof the composition of claim [3] 8,
wherein the composition further includes beta-carotene.

10. (Amended) A method of reducing the risk or progression of cardiovascular disease comprising administering to a person in need thereof the composition of claim [4] 9,
wherein the composition further includes a compound selected from the group consisting of procyanidins, flavonoids, oligomeric proanthocyanidins and mixtures thereof.

11. (Amended) A method of reducing the risk or progression of cardiovascular disease comprising administering to a person in need thereof the composition of claim [5] 10,
wherein the composition further includes trimethylglycine and ginkgo biloba.

12. (Amended) A method of reducing the risk or progression of cardiovascular disease comprising administering to a person in need thereof the composition of claim [6] 11,
wherein the composition further includes garlic oil and minerals.